



Delaware County Sustainability Commission Meeting Agenda

Thursday, June 17, 2021, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

1. Attendees:

| Commission Members | Public |
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| Ed Orner | Elaine Schaefer |
| Thomas Shaffer | Howard Lazarus |
| Mark Manfre | Sharon Jaye |
| Ed Magargee | Pippa Barratt |
| Laura Goodrich-Cairns | Francine Locke |
| Stephanie Howe Hasanali | Rebecca Ross |
| Steve Clark | Anne Stauffer |
| Carol Martsof | Julie DelMuto |
| Jaclyn Rhoads | Kelly Sanders |
| Scott Sidlow | John Becht |
| Jennie Perey Saxe | |
| David Director | |
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2. Introductions of new Sustainability Manager and Intern: Dr. Sharon Jaye and Pippa Barratt
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from May Meeting – Minutes approved
4. Chief Sustainability Officer Update
 - a. Welcome to Dr. Sharon Jaye
 - i. Will help develop sustainability plan; outreach and engagement for commission; facilitate subcommittee meetings; data gathering and analysis; collaborating with Departments; developing social media presence; developing website
 - b. Connecting the Dots
 - i. Current events in Delco related to our developing Sustainability Plan
 - ii. Departmental Work – Planning department will present this evening
 - A. Interim Director – Thomas Shaffer
 - B. Each unit will report out on their respective areas
 - c. Draft Sustainability Plan review with focus on the following:
 - i. Greening and Natural Resources
 - A. Delaware County has started the process of creating the largest County-owned park – 213 acre parcel has been obtained.
 - ii. Health, Wellness and Inclusion Arts and Culture-Celebrating Delaware County's growing cultural diversity and heritage
 - A. Lease agreement for the oldest, continuously-used public property in the United States
 - B. Preservation of the Woodburne Mansion
 - d. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
 - i. FY22 Capital Budget Call initiated – "Statement of Need" form was sent to Departments
 - ii. CIP Steering Committee will submit recommendations to Capital Budget Committee by July 1, 2021
 - iii. Facility Condition Needs and Assessment on target for 10/1/2021

- iv. SE PA Regional PPA – run by DVRPC to aggregate opportunities for electricity procurement of renewable energy
 - A. LOI has been signed with DVRPC
 - B. MOU has been signed to hire an Energy Services Consultant in July/August 2021
 - C. Virtual workshop held on 6/11/21. Attended by counties and Councilmembers.
- v. Delaware County Solid Waste Management Plan – advertising RFQ for professional services has been approved by Council.
 - A. Support will include Zero Waste Plan
- vi. Summer Intern, Pippa Barratt, starts June 21 and will focus on social media and website

5. Planning Department Presentation

- a. Reviewed mission statement and an overview of initiatives
 - i. Subdivision and Land Development Review provides recommendations on design, transportation, historic resource
 - ii. Delaware County 2035 Comprehensive Plan – provided plan overview
 - iii. Transportation Planning – reviewed past and current projects, including bike friendly plan when resurfacing roadways
 - iv. Delco Green Space and Trails Projects
 - v. Environmental Planning
 - vi. Historic Preservation Planning – review of past and current projects
 - vii. GIS and Information Services – discussion on how GIS can help with Sustainability

6. Subcommittee Updates

- a. **Greening County Operations:**
 - i. Continue to refine County plan as the Commission continues to evolve. Looking to submit plan for approval in near future.
- b. **Creating a County-Wide Sustainability Plan:**
 - i. Working through draft plan. Will continue to work throughout public feedback cycle. Want to have actions ready for next budget cycle.
- c. Will have a joint sub-committee meeting

Public Comment - none

7. Sustainable Energy Fund (for C-PACE)

- a. Provided C-PACE Overview – new program passed in PA in 2018. Financing tool for funding energy and water savings projects at a low cost. Collection is from a special payment or property tax. The payment stays with the property when the property is sold.
- b. C-PACE nationwide is growing rapidly.

8. Process for “GoGreenDelco” E-mail Account – the account will be monitored by the new intern

9. New Business

- a. Discussion about having a zero-waste subcommittee. Outreach could start with the 49 municipalities (Council of Governments – COG)
- b. Commission voted to form a new subcommittee to focus on zero-waste initiatives. Members will include David, Carol, Jaclyn, Scott, Francine, Jenny

Public Comment - none

10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm